

KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years,
their families, and
the child care system
that serves them

Tennessee

Total population: 5,689,283

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 18,252 children 0–3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund

(FY 2001 ACF-801 data)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2004 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$2,243,994

(FY 2004 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks,
U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)



888 children served by 13 grantees are in Early Head Start

(2003 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment)
(EHSNRC Database—April 2004)

72% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

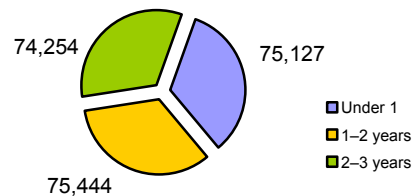
(Child Care Profile, United States/NACCRRA, March 2003)



5,426 children under 3 are served by the Early Intervention program

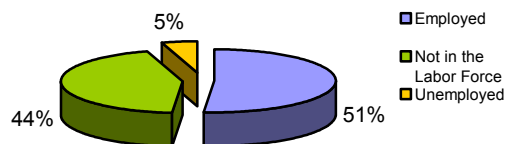
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs,
Data Analysis System (DANS), Dec. 2002)

224,825 Children Under 3 Live in Tennessee



U.S. Census 2000

51% of Tennessee Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



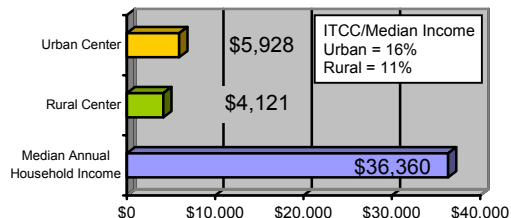
Current Population Survey, March 2001

Professional Development of Infant/Toddler Caregivers

Infant/Toddler Caregiver Credential:	No
Infant/Toddler Child Development Associate*:	87 issued in 2002 68 issued in 1998
Early Learning Guidelines for 0–3:	No

*Council on Professional Recognition

Annual Cost of Infant/Toddler Child Care as a Percent of Median Income



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In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for infants up to 15 months; 1:6 for 12 to 30 months; 1:7 for 24 to 35 months; 1:9 for 3-year-olds (in single-age groupings)

1:5 for infants and toddlers up to 30 months; 1:8 for 2- to 4-year-olds; 1:9 for 2.5- to 3-year olds (30 to 47 months); 1:11 for 2.5- to 5-year-olds; 1:10 for 2.5- to 12-year-olds (in mixed-age groupings)
(State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:7 (with no more than 4 children under 2); 2:12 (with no more than 4 children under 2); 3:12 (more than 4 children under 2)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

2:15 (with up to 9 children under 3, but no more than 4 of these under 2); 3:15 (if 10 or more are under 3) If over 12 children are enrolled, the additional children must be of school-age (State Licensing Regulations)

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For more information about Tennessee go to:

<http://nccic.org/statedata/statepro/tennesse.html>

